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TAGS: SHUM, IR
SUBJ: POLITICAL PRISONER: GHOLAM HOSSEIN SA'EDI

REF: 76 STATE 282142

1. SEARCH FOR INFO ON SA'EDI HAS REVEALED THAT HE RUNNING CLINIC IN SOUTH TEHRAN, PROBABLY IN CONJUNCTION WITH BROTHER. REPORT FROM WHAT GOI AUTHORITIES DESCRIBE AS NONGOVERNMENTAL PRIVATE GROUP, IRANIAN SOCIAL AFFAIRS INSTITUTE (IN RESPONSE TO AMBASSADOR'S QUERY TO COURT MINISTER), SAYS SIMPLY THAT SA'EDI HAS BEEN RELEASED "FOLLOWING INVESTIGATIONS MADE OF HIM".

2. CHECK WITH CONSULATE SHOWS SA'EDI HAS NOT RPT NOT ATTEMPTED TO OBTAIN US VISA IN PAST THREE YEARS FOR WHICH CONSULATE HAS RECORDS. WORD OF MOUTH INFO FROM PRIVATE SOURCES SAYS HE LIVING QUIETLY WHILE PRACTICING MEDICINE AT HIS CLINIC. SOURCES SAY SA'EDI WAS PROMINENT WRITER IN LATE 1960'S AND CONNECTED WITH MAGAZINE ALEFBA. WHILE THEY WOULD NOT DESCRIBE HIM AS "IRAN'S GREATEST LIVING PLAYWRIGHT", HE IS WELL-KNOWN AND RESPECTED DRAMATIST. SA'EDI WROTE SEVERAL SATIRICAL ANTI-GOVERNMENT PLAYS AND PERHAPS SOME PAMPHLETS, BUT IS NOT NOW ACTIVE ON LITERARY SCENE. HE WAS REPORTEDLY ARRESTED FOR SPREADING COMMUNIST DOCTRINE (ILLEGAL UNDER IRANIAN
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LAW). PRIVATE SOURCES DID NOT KNOW WHETHER HE REMAINS UNDER SURVEILLANCE OR NOT.

3. IN VIEW OF FACT SA'EDI HAS NOT APPROACHED CONSULATE FOR US VISA, AND IN ABSENCE OF ANY OTHER COMPELLING REASON, EMBASSY BELIEVES IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO JUSTIFY REPRESENTATION ON BEHALF OF IRAIAN CITIZEN RESIDENT IN IRAN TO LEAVE

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